

Minutes of the Meeting of the Full Council held on the 5^{th of} MARCH 2024 at 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Councillor Eileen Callear (Vice Chair)
Councillor David Brown
Councillor Jasmine Bennett
Councillor Jared Callear
Councillor Saj Younis
Councillor Andrew Benion

Councilor Phil Millward Councillor Shaukat Ali Councillor Thomas King Councillor Jordan Keeble Councillor John Snell Councillor Carol Hughes

IN ATTENDANCE

Clerk Jane Lees

Deputy Clerk Rebecca Cowie

Fifteen members of the public.

In the absence of the Chair, the meeting was Chaired by Cllr. E. Callear, Vice Chair.

WELCOME

Cllr. E. Callear welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked all in the room to pay their respects to Cllr. Pat Smart, whose sad death has just been announced. Cllr. P. Smart was a well-respected former Councillor and had worked tirelessly for the good of the residents of the Parish.

A minute's silence was observed.

C23/209 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr. A. Jhawar, Cllr Gemma Offland (Chair), Councillor Usman Ahmed Cllr. D. Brown proposed, Cllr. S. Ali seconded, all in favour to note the apologies.

C23/210 PUBLIC SESSION

One member of the public noted that there were no public presentations regarding the sale of the Cemetery Lodge.

One member of the public stated that the Lodge should be rented not sold. He stated he had asked Councillors to hold another meeting to vote again on the sale of the Lodge, but only three agreed, however the total needed for this action was five. The resident stated he had no faith in the Council and asked for a vote to render the Council inadequate.

One member of the public asked if the previous Cemetery Manager was given the opportunity to rent the property. Cllr. E. Callear replied that due to Employment Laws it would be a breach of legislation to answer that question.



C23/211 DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS None

C23/212 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Cllr. S. Ali proposed, Cllr J. Bennett seconded, one abstain to confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 6th of February 2024, Cllr S. Ali proposed, Cllr. J Bennett seconded; one abstain to confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 9TH January 2024.

C23/213 MINUTES OF EVENTS COMMITTEE

Cllr. J. Bennet proposed, Cllr. J. Callear seconded, two abstain to confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 20th of February 2024.

C23/214 MINUTES OF FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSE COMMITTEE

Cllr. J. Keeble proposed, Cllr. D. Brown seconded; one abstain to confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 20th of February 2024.

C23/215 FINANCIAL REPORT

- (i) Cllr J Callear and J Bennett verified the approval list against invoices. Payments detailed and approved for payment by faster payment totalling £3,390.91, Direct Debits of £1,237.90 and Debit Card payments of £69.25.
- (ii) Deputy Clerk confirmed bank balances.

C23/216 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(i) Applications for consideration

TWC/2024/0137

67 Kingfisher Way, Apley, Telford, Shropshire, TF1 6FW

Cllr. J. Keeble proposed, Cllr. A. Benion seconded, all in favour to offer no comment to this application.

TWC/2024/0151

30 Chockleys Meadow, Leegomery, Telford, Shropshire, TF1 6TN

Cllr. J. Keeble proposed, Cllr. A. Benion seconded, all in favour to be deferred to Finance and General Purpose Committee

TWC/2024/0159

103 Crescent Road, Hadley, Telford, Shropshire, TF1 5JU

Cllr. S. Ali proposed, Cllr. S. Younis seconded, all in favour of a site visit by Councillors to enable a response by 18th March 2024.



TWC/2024/0158

CIIr. D. Brown proposed, CIIr. S. Ali seconded, all in favour to offer no comment to this application.

(ii) Applications received after publication of agenda. TWC/2024/01949

Cllr. P. Millward proposed, Cllr. S. Younis seconded, all in favour to comment the Council is not satisfied at this point that extra mitigation put in is sufficient to cope with noise levels, and for a further week to be added to the closing date to enable consultation with residents.

C23/217 REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES – MATTERS SPECIFICALLY RELATING TO THE PARISH

None

C23/218 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

None, Chair not present.

C23/219 PLOUGH AT CEMETERY LODGE

As ownership of this item has now been established, this motion has been withdrawn.

C23/220 HURLEYBROOK PATH

Cllr. P. Millward described the poor state of the west side of the path. and would like to *source* funds to repair. Discussion was held over ownership and Rights of Way issues.

Cllr. J. Keeble proposed, Cllr. J. Bennett seconded, all in favour to bring the matter to a future meeting following further research.

C23/221 TELEPHONE UPDATES

Councillors discussed additional services from current supplier for recording of phone calls made to Parish Office at a cost of £2.50 per user per month, with two users.

Cllr. S. Ali proposed, Cllr. A. Benion seconded, all in favour to buy the additional phone service.



C23/222 LEEGOMERY COMMUNITY CENTRE ACCOUNTS

The Leegomery Centre accounts were received by the Clerk a few hours prior to this meeting. Councillors discussed the funding but felt they did not have sufficient time to inspect the accounts.

It was agreed that Leegate should be asked to follow the same procedures as others requesting funding and would be invited to a meeting to give a presentation, participate in a question, and answer session.

Cllr. E. Callear proposed, Cllr. J. Keeble seconded, all in favour to defer this matter to the Finance and General Purpose Committee meeting and invite a representative to attend.

C23/223 CITIZEN'S ADVICE BUREAU

A representative from the C.A.B. gave a presentation and answered questions from Councillors regarding the work of the organisation in the Parish to the Finance and General Purpose Committee. Following this, a recommendation from the Committee was to approve the funding application from C.A.B. to the sum of £8000.

Cllr. J. Keeble proposed, Cllr. J. Snell seconded, all in favour to pay the Grant of £8000.

C23/224 UPDATE ON MARLBOROUGH ROAD

Cllr. E. Callear reported on her meeting with Telford and Wrekin Council Highways team regarding issues on Marlborough Road. There were a number of options discussed, and Councillors will deliver letters to residents to consult on their views.

C23/225 MEDALS

Cllr. P. Millward shared his research into the history of the medals found in the Parish Office, and future display possibilities were discussed.

Cllr. S. Ali proposed, Cllr. S. Younis seconded, all in favour to post some information regarding the medals on social media.

C23/226 ITEMS FOR INCLUSION IN NEXT AGENDA

Hurleybrook path repairs

Mafeking Road and roads surrounding the Hospital conditions.

C23/227 DATES FOR NEXT MEETINGS

Events Committee Tuesday 19th March at 6pm Finance and G. P. Committee Tuesday 19th March at 7 p.m. Full Council Tuesday 2nd April at 7 p.m. Personnel Committee To be arranged.

C23/228 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

Cllr. D. Brown propose, Cllr. S. Ali seconded, all in favour to exclude press and public.



C23/229 VEXATIOUS RESIDENT

This motion was discussed and a resolution made.

9.30pm Cllr. S. Ali proposed, Cllr. T. King seconded, all in favour to suspend Standing Orders.

C23/230 F.O.I ADMINISTRATION

Following incorrect advice from SALC, this matter was dropped.

C23/231 STAFFING

This matter was discussed and two resolutions made

Chair closed the meeting at 9.55pm

Signature of Chair
